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Photo by Mark Arike

Outgoing EMS director Pat Kennedy receives a road sign with his name on it at his recent retirement party. See page 10 for story.

Mindenites launch election website

By Mark Arike
 Staff writer

Minden residents have created an online forum for the 2014 municipal election with the recent launch of www.ourmindenhills.ca.

"There's a group of people in the community who have been meeting about the election

for a couple of months now," explained Jack Brezina, who is one of the editors of the website along with Michael Fay. "They're just interested in making sure that all the issues get discussed and that everything gets on the table."

The purpose of the site is to "increase and encourage the exchange of ideas between

candidates in the upcoming municipal election and the voters of the municipality."

Between now and election time, a series of questions will be posed to candidates and voters are being invited to comment on their responses. Small profiles on each of the candidates (in their own words) and news articles will also be posted to the site.

"I liken it to a 10-month long all-candidates meeting, where you can participate whenever you want," said Brezina.

As of Jan. 13, three questions had been posted to the site. According to Brezina, approximately one new question per week will be posted.

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EMS explores 'paramedicine'

By Sue Tiffin
Staff writer

When Pat Kennedy spoke to the County Emergency Services Committee for the last time on Jan. 8, he did so only after a lot of research, and with a lot of passion.

Kennedy, who retired as emergency medical services (EMS) director last week, presented to the committee about the Community Paramedicine program.

"We're standing on the brink of ambulance services changing dramatically here in the province of Ontario," he said.

According to a discussion paper submitted by Kennedy to the county, the Community Paramedicine program would expand the role of county paramedics to provide health services in the community where access to physicians, clinics and/or other medical services is difficult. The program has been in use in Toronto, Peel, York, Peterborough, and Renfrew, the community that first sparked Kennedy's interest. He saw the Renfrew chief present about the program in 2008 at a meeting of the Eastern Ontario EMS Chiefs.

"Renfrew is very similar to what we have in Haliburton County with pockets of population," said Kennedy. "It was almost exactly the same situation as what we have here. It really hit a note close to home on how it could work here."

Kennedy says the program would help the county's high number of seniors that don't have support systems in place such as family. It would also help those without easy transportation around the county. He said the county's poverty is a challenge to people who need help but can't get out of their house to access it.

The proposed Haliburton County model has three phases. The first is a referral program in which EMS could refer patients to alternative community agencies for follow-up or do a home safety check. Kennedy says that in some cases, the homes they visit are in need of repair or safety equipment like a bar for

the bathtub. He also wants to make care preventative so that patients with recurring difficulty can be helped prior to worse accidents happening.

"Now, sometimes we realize a person needs help, but we can't do anything about it," said Kennedy. "We put a person back in bed four times before they break their hip and enter the healthcare system. There's no need for that. We want to stop that. There's no reason for that person to break their hip if we could just call someone to come out and do a home visit."

The first phase would have little to no cost, and, if approved, could be implemented immediately.

"None of these things happen overnight but it is getting easier," said Kennedy. "So many of these programs are coming out so the policies have been written and agreements have been drafted in other areas, it's going to be a lot less work for us."

The second phase would enable EMS to provide regular clinics for patients between doctor's office visits. Kennedy said the county would benefit by clinics that could record blood sugar, blood pressure, medication reconciliation and ECG recordings.

The third phase would allow physicians to refer patients to the EMS program. EMS staff would visit a patient's home to assess the safety of the environment, treat a patient as per the instruction received, and report back to the ordering provider. Kennedy said this type of program would help vulnerable populations including patients in need of social supports or patients who have a hard time getting to their medical provider's office.

Phases two and three of the program would require additional funding to roll out.

"It's been such a tried and proven program," said Kennedy, who sees little difficulty in initiating the program. "We're near the front of the pack but we're not at the front of the pack."

The committee approved Kennedy's request to bring the Community Paramedicine program to county council on Jan. 22.

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Highlander news

Residents create forum to discuss issues

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The site is not in any way associated with the Township of Minden Hills.

“It’s certainly not an initiative of the municipality,” he said. “We’re not affiliated with the municipality, other than we’re a part of this municipality.”

All comments will be moderated by Brezina and Fay before going live to ensure they comply with a set of rules.

“The actual control of the website rests with Michael and myself,” said Brezina.

“We will make an effort to authenticate the ownership of anything we put up, and we require that anyone posting a comment post their name.”

Comments that include tangents, personal attacks and offensive language will not be permitted.

“We want there to be a civil dialogue around the questions that are being posed,” said Brezina. “Sometimes a civil dialogue gets heated, which is fine – we don’t mind

people getting emotional about it... but you’re not going to give them space to rant their face off.”

A Facebook page and Twitter account have been set up with the Our Minden Hills name.

At this time, Brezina is unsure if the website will still be online after the election.

“We haven’t thought [about it] beyond voting day,” he said. “I don’t know at this point.”

As of Jan. 14, three candidates – Brent Devolin, Barb Reid and Ken Redpath – had responded to the first question: “Why are you seeking elected office in Minden Hills?”



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Editorial opinion

On marriage

I'm engaged.

This past weekend, I went down on bended knee and asked the woman that I love to be my wife.

Her name is Ashley.

Some of you know her, but many others have only seen her referred to in my columns as the girlfriend, significant other, or – and I only did this once after the scolding I received at home – my partner.

Now I can call her my fiancé. She said yes, by the way.

It wasn't a grand gesture proposal you see in the movies – no flash mobs or jumbotrons. One lady who knew I was getting ready to pop the question suggested I call in the Highlands East Fire Department – of which I'm a part – to actually set a fire that spelled out 'Marry Me'. Ashley and I would drive by in response to the call and there, surrounded by flashing lights, fire trucks, and the entire department, I would ask her. It was a great suggestion, but ultimately not 'us'.

No, I asked her in the comfort of our home before a planned date night. She and I were sharing a moment and she smiled – that smile that she only shares with me – and I knew it was time. All my other plans went out the window. I retrieved the ring I had stored in the gun cabinet – she would never have looked there – and committed to her for the rest of my life.

In a way it was ironic that I committed to something so permanent in the midst of so much change. Both Ashley and I were in the midst of transitioning the newspapers from Sun Media and The Highlander into Maple Key Media. We were under stress and working long hours. It was the only day off we'd had since the holidays.

But that's exactly why I did it.

I knew we were meant for each other very early in our relationship. After only a year together, she agreed to move to the Highlands with me so I could advance my career in a profession that I am truly passionate about. She has sacrificed for our relationship, and I know she has fought for us, too.

No man could ask for a better woman – not at his back, but at his side. That's something I learned from my parents. They've been married for 35 years, and throughout that time their relationship has had ups, and more than its share of downs. Watching mom and dad tackle those challenges together has been inspiring. From financial crisis to family issues, fights, moving, job loss, and medical problems – every decision was made together, and both always looked out for the other every step of the way. They weathered the storms together.

And that's why I proposed when I did. With everything going on around us, as tired and rundown as we were, Ashley and I took comfort and supported each other. I didn't need a grand gesture to show how much I valued her. That moment, those feelings, perfectly symbolized our relationship, and that's what brought me to my knee.

We're excited and a little nervous, and although things have changed again this week, we're ready to face anything, together. I love you, fiancé.



By Matthew Desrosiers

... and divorce

In early December, I got a call from a man who had been trying to do business with me for over a year. We had discussed partnership in The Highlander; I didn't need a partner. We had discussed helping him with his other papers in the GTA; I wasn't interested in working outside of the county.

But this time, he had a surprise. He had bought the Echo and Times (and Bancroft This Week and Barry's Bay This Week) from Sun Media. Would I like to put The Highlander into the group and be partners?

Like many things, it seemed like a good idea at the time: bring the Sun papers back to local ownership and the Echo and Times back to their roots serving Dysart and Minden Hills.

Turns out, it wasn't.

Essentially the issue was that the Echo and Times (and Bancroft This Week and Barry's Bay This Week) had not been assembled in Haliburton for years. Many steps in the process had been split up among various parts of the Sun empire, in several locations, directed by people not part of the Haliburton or Minden teams.

It was as if someone had purchased a car dealership and then assumed they could build cars, not realizing the assembly line was somewhere else.

Normally in these types of deals, there would be contractual arrangements to ensure a smooth transfer of the critical systems and data necessary for the operation: client lists, ad bookings and ad management software, design software, accounts, templates, supplier contracts, subscriber lists, route delivery instructions and much, much more. I was assured these would all be taken care of and, since I had not dealt with Sun directly, assumed they would be.

They were not.

So for the last four weeks, we had been trying to reconstruct these data and systems, without which papers cannot be produced and revenue cannot be generated. In some cases we had some assistance from Sun, but in many we did not. We didn't even have the fonts and design elements – Sun apparently owns them – which is why the Echo and Times look so strange this week. One by one, the Sun Media systems used by Echo and Times staff to do their jobs were shut off.

With help from the Echo, Times and Bancroft staff, The Highlander team stepped up to fill the gaps. Our production

manager, Heather Kennedy, went from creating one paper per week on her own to six with the help of two people. That doesn't add up, and she logged four weeks of double shifts to prove it. By the end, I walked into the production room in the Echo building late on Monday and Tuesday and watched as The Highlander staff put the Echo and Times to bed – they knew we were to split but insisted on fulfilling their obligations, both as professionals and to Echo and Times readers; they would not allow the papers to be late.

It was clear I had made a serious mistake in not insisting on due diligence, and fortunately we had included a provision in our contract that allowed me to unwind the transaction. It was an easy decision, because I believe the alternative would have put all of the papers at immediate risk.

I would like to thank our local businesses who have had to put up with missed ads – The Highlander will make good on them – and readers for their patience as they had to watch their papers flounder over the last few weeks. I'd also like to thank the employees who pitched in to try to make it all work and McLaren Press who somehow got everything printed and delivered on time. Most of all, I'd like to thank Cheryl, Heather, Walt, Ashley, Mark and Matthew, the most outstanding group of people I've ever had the privilege to work with.

Looking forward, I do know that the new owner is committed to community newspapers and to ensuring staff are well-treated. They have additional resources that can help the other papers get running smoothly. And now that we're back on our opposite sides of the street, I hope Jenn and Chad return to the Echo and Times; Lois Rigney was right – their departure was a significant loss to the community. She was also right that competition and a diversity of voices are good things; I was never comfortable with all the papers under one roof and our advertisers didn't seem to be either.

With time and effort, and your understanding, all of us at all of the papers will soon be back to what we're here for: serving this community. Thank you for your support.



By Bram Lebo

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In 'Following the Group of Seven' (The Highlander issue 115, pg. 13), Janine Marson was incorrectly identified as Janine Marsden. The Highlander regrets this error.

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Letters to the editor

Government not worth my vote

Dear editor,

Well another year is upon us, and what have we to look forward to? Price increases, more taxes, and elections. When you're young, you tend to have a more positive attitude on things and support political parties, in the belief they represent your ideals. As you get older you tend to become wiser, more cynical, and just downright grumpy. So how did we get here?

Good question. Wish I knew. But you would have to be an idiot to not see the problems in our society. So a brief note to all those would-be politicians soliciting my future vote. If you don't agree with what I am about to say, I won't be wasting my time voting for you.

The Liberals want to add \$0.10 per litre of gas to pay for infrastructure in Toronto. The real question is where is the current gas tax going? They would have more money if it hadn't been for Ornge and E-Health. I guess my next question is why, when the taxpayers are ripped off for their hard-earned money, is no one ever held responsible. Unless of course if we are talking the Senate, the penalty is momentary, and the bloated pensions and health benefits continue.

For that matter why do we have a Senate at all?

Billions of dollars are wasted every year by all levels of government on consultants. This is our money! The problem is quite often these overpaid companies and individuals provide flawed information. That is where the billions come in. You need to factor in not only the initial cost of their services but the costs that flow from their mistakes, and who picks up the tab? We do! In future, why not make consultants responsible for their mistakes? After all, if an architect designs a building and it falls down, he is held responsible. Why not consultants? Where did you think all the ideas and programs governments roll with come from?

Then there is the NIMBY factor. Why should we pay in our hydro bill just because the people in Oakville and Mississauga thought the gas plant they needed to supply them with hydro should be in Samia? Why should we pay in our hydro bill because Graham Hawkridge doesn't want wind mills in Pontypool? He favours nuclear, but I am certain he wouldn't want that in his back yard either. I am curious to see who wants one when Pickering closes? No one wants a pipeline. It's safer to blow up towns with aging tanker cars. No one in Toronto wants any more cell towers either.

There is a simple solution to all this. Don't use hydro, trade in your car for a horse, and stomp on your phone. Otherwise it is all very hypocritical, and in the end we all pay for this endless fighting. So my suggestion is pass on the costs of all this to the bills of the perpetrators and leave the rest of us alone. We pay too much already. On the windmill front and the mess Hydro is in, some think the Tories will save the day. I guess they forgot the Harris government did install Wind Turbines and re-invented Hydro, which at the end of their reign was in such bad shape we were on the verge of brown-outs, promising us savings? How much savings have you seen on your hydro bill? The Tories privatized the 407, which is now the most expensive toll road in North America.

So there you have it. After a lifetime of wasting my time voting, this time around I won't be unless I think there is a glimmer of hope that a government will make the changes that are long overdue, and that have to be made before we wind up bankrupt like Greece. Decades of promises, with little or nothing to show.

Keith W. Stata
Kinmount

Photo of the week



A snowy scene in Haliburton County.

Photo by Tammy Nash

Clear sidewalks important for village

Dear editor,

Kudos to Haliburton roads people who have kept Haliburton's sidewalk access as clear as possible after heavy icy and snow conditions.

A very recent trip to Peterborough with a friend indicated the problems for parking and for pedestrians when curb-side high drifts remain in place. When we found a parking spot on the main street, the drift on the sidewalk was so high and so ice-hard that the car door could not be fully opened. There was barely room to get out. Then the only access to the sidewalk was over a narrow, steep, rough and icy single shoe track obviously made by other pedestrians.

Once finally landed on the sidewalk, a ticket from a centrally located meter machine needed to be acquired. Then the whole effort over the minor Chilkoot Pass had to be made to the car and back again by my driver in order to place the ticket on the dash. When we returned to our car after shopping,

both of us had to repeat this hazardous and extremely awkward exercise. I could not have managed this at all had I been alone. The only alternative would have been to walk in traffic to the street corner.

No wonder people choose to shop at malls. Now that we too have centrally located parking meters, this situation could happen here. We all recognize that snow clearance takes some time, and that immediately after a storm the streets take a while to get cleared. However, retailers must remember to ensure access for shoppers as soon as possible. Seniors in particular cannot manage narrow steep tracks over snow cones.

So far this winter, the comparison with Peterborough puts our Haliburton roads people far ahead. It is noticed and appreciated. Congratulations.

Margery Cartwright
Haliburton

The mysterious case of turkeys on Kennisis Lake — The Outsider

It was a case of mistaken identity, multiple mistaken identities in fact, and all on the annual ice fishing trip with the barber and chums.

Now many of you will instantly jump to the conclusion that the liquor got the best of us. It has to be said that there was some of that involved and that it did fuel the storytelling of one historic intentional mistaken identity, but I'll get back to that.

The first and foremost identity crisis that befell the camp did quite literally fall from the sky. Rain. Torrential rain. Not big fat flakes of snow; the sort of stuff that we're meant to see falling from the heavens in midwinter. Not even ice pellets, just lots and lots of incredibly wet rain. More rain than on a miserable day in winter in England. And it fell, as I'm sure you know, for hours last weekend. Twas as if someone had fooled winter into thinking that it was time to give up the ghost and let spring have a go. Pouring rain not more than a week after freezing temperatures that had brass monkeys running for their long johns.

And what did the rain and accompanying balmy temperatures do, apart from turn the lake we were fishing on into a slushy quagmire? It played tricks on the fish, for

crying out loud. The fish that we were meant to be catching thought hey ho, time to go deep, and the fish that were meant to be dormant at this time of year, the bass, got confused and convinced themselves that they were trout. Up they came, snapping at our lures, bothering our minnows; making grown men cry as yet another biting trout turned out to be a spiny green critter.

How many times did I hear: "Fish on! Yeh, I think it's a speck," only for the sentence to be followed by a groan as the thump thump on the line was mistakenly identified and up came a large mouth bass.

That was what set us to drinking. The day had been a washout. Wet and weary we trudged back to camp and divested ourselves of sodden boots and coats. Miserable and moist, 14 fellows slowly came around from their poor fishing trip while sitting around a log stove.

As the rum warmed our cockles and the steam rose from damp clothes, the mood began to lighten and the stories began to be told. There were many, quite a few of which I had heard before, but still a few new ones, borrowed from the vast library of funny tales that is stored in the heads of the barber and his sidekick Grumpy (that's what it

says on his personal rum tankard).

One such tale was of tomfoolery from many years back when a hunter known for sneaking from his watch to get a shot was tricked by the lyrical mastery of a friend who could mimic the baying of the hounds.

As the barber told the tale he did a pretty good job himself, of 'bouwwwoowowing' and 'wowowwwwing', the call of the dogs echoing across the cabin.

"Oh, he climbed over hills and through the thickest bush you've ever seen," laughed the barber, "as old Rex rang out those voices. He could sing like any dog in camp and we had our eager friend chasing imaginary hounds and deer all over the place."

The room laughed long and hard at the tale of the mistaken hearing, and at the barber as he took another sip of his rum and 'bouwwwoowwowed' to his heart's content. The stories went on long into the night and so did the sipping, and perhaps that explains the case of mistaken identity that happened the next morning: a case that will take its place in the Barber's library, and a story that will be retold many times in years to come.

Driving along on a grey and windy

morning, eyes on the road watching for glare ice, one of our fishing party, who shall remain nameless, did a double take as he caught sight of a flock of turkeys out on the ice of Kennisis Lake. Not hesitating to point them out to his fishing buddies, all of whom are avid turkey hunters, he soon wished that he'd taken a moment to verify his sighting.

When the Barber and I got back to camp we told how we had seen a couple of turkeys scratching at the roadside.

"Oh hoho, ask John how many he saw," came the reply with a chuckle.

In he came, already anticipating the onslaught. Head almost in hands he said: "Well they did look like turkeys, from a distance," before giving into the relentless light hearted jibes and admitting that he'd mistakenly identified a 'flock' of wooden stumps as our tastiest of thanksgiving birds.

So you see there are cases of mistaken identity and then there's making a real turkey of yourself!

But it's OK, I didn't mention his name, did I?



By Will Jones

Highlander news

Eye on the street: *What is your New Year's resolution?*



Dave Helson

Carnarvon

I am going to go south for a vacation to get away from this frosty weather. I am ready right now to go.

Judith MacNeilage

Carnarvon

I want to look after my health by exercising and eating a nutritious diet. Yes I will keep it because I want to live to be 150!



Ray Ranson

Minden

I intend to stress less and focus on positive things. I am really hoping to keep this resolution and make myself a better person.

Sandy Slote

West Guilford

I did not really make one this year. I try to stay away from making promises to myself that I might not be able to keep.



Wayne Culy

Carnarvon

Try to lose weight is my resolution. I will do this by exercising and eating better and I am going to try real hard to keep it.

Photos and interviews by Walt Griffin

Meet new EMS director Craig Jones

By Lisa Harrison
Contributing Writer

Craig Jones remembers exactly when he decided to become a paramedic, and the memory is bittersweet.

It was 1991, and the county's new director and chief of emergency services (ES) was in his final year of high school in Toledo, northwest of Brockville, serving as a volunteer firefighter while he sorted out his next step.

Then his friend had an accident, and Jones saw paramedics in action.

"I hadn't really dealt a lot with the ambulance services, and I saw them, saw how calm they were when they came and what a great job they did," says Jones.

That fall Jones enrolled in a two-year paramedic program in Ottawa. Upon graduation he began working part-time and then full-time with Brockville Ambulance. When the province downloaded paramedicine responsibilities in 2000, Brockville became part of the Leeds Grenville Emergency Medical Service.

"I saw an opportunity there in 2004 that the service was growing and they would need supervisors, so I started educating myself in [what] was called the Ontario Management Development Program at that point," says Jones.

He then moved into a supervisory position and a year later became deputy chief of quality assurance and education. In 2010

Jones "pushed the reset button" and moved to ORNGE air ambulance as a manager in the Mississauga communications centre.

"That was a really exciting opportunity to learn," says Jones. "[It was] not just a local small area any more, it was the entire province but I missed the small community."

A year later Northumberland Paramedics posted an opening for deputy chief of quality assurance. Jones successfully applied for the role and later became deputy chief of operations for the department, which is double the size of Haliburton County's.

Outgoing county chief Pat Kennedy announced his retirement last fall and encouraged Jones to apply for the position. Jones says he loved the Northumberland people and the job but was ready for his next challenge. The two men know one another well and Kennedy says he knew Jones would do a good job. Northumberland and the county share the same dispatch and hospital bases and provincial health network so the learning curve for Jones will be smaller than it might have been.

Jones began work Jan. 13, the start of Kennedy's final week, shadowing Kennedy and meeting county and ES staff, attending a 2015 Pan Am Games (Minden) meeting, reviewing budgets and touring the ES bases.

"We're lucky enough here with being smaller that I can physically get out to the bases," says Jones, adding he'll block off times in his calendar to meet ES front-line staff on both shifts.



Photo by Lisa Harrison

Craig Jones is the new director and chief of emergency services for the county.

"I'm a very personal guy, so it's getting out, meeting people, talking to people, sitting down, having a coffee, shooting the breeze so to speak, and really getting to know what motivates people."

Jones calls his new role an "amazing opportunity."

"I'm really excited to be up here. I love the community. I went skiing at Sir Sam's on Sunday... I hadn't done that in 20 years. I rode my motorcycle through here in the summer

and I just absolutely loved it. So [I'm] very excited about the summer opportunity, and learning to love winter," he adds with a laugh.

Jones is renting north of Haliburton until spring when he can sell his house in Northumberland and look for a place here.

"My ultimate goal would be to find a beautiful cottage on a lake that I can fix up, because I love to do carpentry and stuff like that, and make this my home."

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Meetings and Events

January 16

9:00 am, CoTW meeting, Minden Council Chambers (public session 10:00 am)

1:00 pm, Budget Standing Committee meeting, Minden Council Chambers

January 30

9:00 am, Regular meeting of Council, Minden Council Chambers (10:00 am public session)

Overnight Parking

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Agnes Jamieson Gallery

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Waste-not, Want-not Symposium

February 7 to 8, 2014

This symposium will involve a series of documentaries on ways to live with less. This will include information on Tiny Homes phenomena, how to live without money, how to live off your land, 'the urban farm' and how to live self-sufficiently. Workshops and talks will also be scheduled. Follow the Cultural Centre website: www.mindenculturalcentre.com for exact times of events.

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Winterfest Minden

Volunteers Needed!

The Township of Minden Hills is hosting their annual Winterfest Celebration on Sunday February 16th and Monday February 17th and is looking for volunteers to help out with some of the events. This may require being outside for a couple of hours so please dress accordingly.

If you are interested in helping out or would like more information please contact Elisha Weiss at 705-286-2298 or eweiss@mindenhills.ca

Students: this is a great way to accumulate some of your required volunteer hours and have some fun while doing it

Highlander arts

What's Up



By George Farrell

Puppets and clowns; funny, frightening and therapeutic

Clowns and puppets can be sort of creepy. Having said that I find that clowns and puppets are also irresistible because they're part of my past.

When I was a little boy my mom took me to the circus where we sat quite close to the action. I remember the smell of the horses and elephants, the roar of the lions, and the wonderful acrobats. But most of all I remember the clowns; big headed with bizarrely painted faces, crazily dressed in colours of the rainbow, wearing oversized shoes, blowing on kazoos and carrying balloons. They were like strange giant dolls, come to life.

At first these clowns were not particularly friendly. They ran around making all kinds of noises and they burst balloons close to our ears, all of which put us kids in a state of suspended animation. If they had said 'boo' I think we'd all have shrieked for our moms en masse, but instead they offered lollipops, and suddenly they were our friends. They made us laugh, but the sad-faced ones also made us wistful.

Like clowns, puppets can play with our emotions. My very first remembrance of puppets was at a local fair in England when I was very small. It was the traditional Punch and Judy show and I cried because Punch was beating up on Judy with a big stick.

Nowadays, with the advent of so many electronic games, films and television programs, puppets and clowns have mostly fallen out of favour as entertainment for children. So clowns and puppeteers have had to change with the times. Puppets,

or more precisely marionettes (puppets with strings), still resonate with socially relevant messages when in the hands of people like the brilliant Canadian puppeteer Ronnie Burkett. But Burkett's audiences are mainly adults.

Another person in the clown business who has had to change with the times is Shelley King, a resident of the Highlands who runs an organization called Puppeteria. She was in the clowning business for many years in Burlington Ontario, but now children's entertainment is only a small part of what she does. She mainly uses puppets as tools when working with groups that use laughter as therapy. "Laughter for the health of it" is a King motto. I spoke to her recently about why people are drawn to clowns and puppets.

"I think it's the vulnerability aspect of clowns who expose their emotions to the world that people pick up on," King said. "Vulnerability is the attraction for audiences with both clowns and puppets."

"A good clown is not acting," according to King. "It's a part of yourself you choose to show the world, and if it isn't coming from the heart people will know."

With puppets there is that separation between the puppeteer and the audience, a void that is filled by the puppets themselves.

"That separation is where the magic lies," said King, who has a shelf of 30 hand and rod puppets.

This separation, the fact that the audience is not dealing directly with a person,

makes puppetry a valuable therapeutic tool because "puppets can sometimes get away with so much more than people can," King said. "Like expressing strong opinions, for instance."

King uses her puppets and clowning techniques mainly as therapeutic tools for working with people who have developmental disabilities. Through her puppets King informs them on such topics as abuse. The puppets also help with enlightening other groups about such issues as bullying, which is ironic when you consider Punch and Judy.

"But people feel safer with puppets," King explained when she referred to her work with people who have dementia. "Puppets are not expecting anything and the people are therefore totally accepting. Puppets can also be effective in sparking a remembrance and also in making new memories between puppets and persons. It's a step towards connecting with people."

"Haliburton is a really supportive environment for my work," King said. "There are so many creative people for collaborating and getting feedback."

So yes, there's a life beyond entertainment for clowns and puppets, and that's a good thing. Yet there are many people out there with coulrophobia, which is an abnormal fear of clowns. I suspect that for many people

their fear derived from an unfortunate experience with clowns when they were young.

Many of the well-known traditional clowns like Pierrot and Harlequin originated with the Commedia dell'arte theatre in Italy during the 16th century. In America they can probably lay claim to the hobo clown. Red Skelton's 'Freddie the Freeloader' is probably the best known hobo clown.

So far there are no definitive or iconic Canadian clowns or puppets. Hmmm, maybe Shelly King can develop a Don Cherry clown. Just think of the outfits. And as puppets Don could beat up on his sidekick Ron McLean. Just like Punch and Judy.

For more information on Shelley King and Puppeteria visit www.puppeteria.ca.

Haliburton County's Hot Reads

The following are popular new additions to the Haliburton County Public Library's collection this week.

HCPL's TOP FICTION

1. *Cockroaches* by Jo Nesbo
2. *Innocence* by Dean Koontz
3. *Hunted* by Karen Robards

HCPL's TOP NON-FICTION

1. *Wheat Belly 30-minute (or less!) cookbook* by William Davis.
2. *Monkey Mind: a memoir of anxiety* by Daniel Smith
3. *Foods that Harm, Foods that Heal: revised and updated* by Reader's Digest Association

HCPL's TOP JUNIOR TITLES

1. *Perfect Ruin* by Lauren DeStefano (YA)
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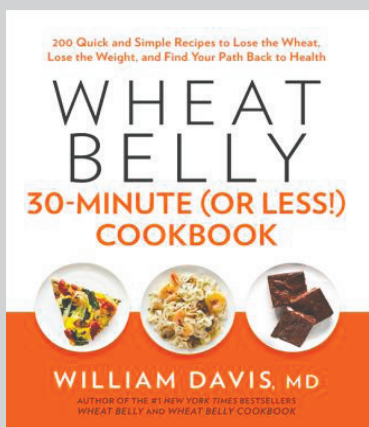
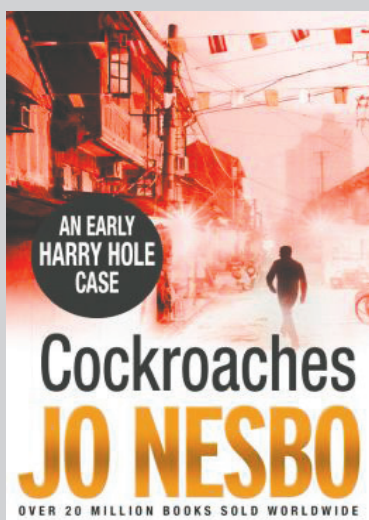
AUDIO and VIDEO at HCPL

1. *The Lone Ranger* (DVD)
2. *Takedown Twenty* by Janet Evanovich (Book on CD)

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Please register by calling the library at 705-457-2241. Space is limited.



Interested in Community Economic Development? Volunteer Opportunity

The Haliburton County Development Corporation (HCDC) is seeking a resident from the Municipality of Minden Hills to serve on the Eastern Ontario Development Program (EODP) Committee. The committee is comprised of HCDC board members and a community member from each of the four municipalities in the County.

The suitable applicant will have an interest in community economic development, have experience working with not-for-profit organizations and have knowledge of the business community. The EODP committee normally meets 4 to 6 times per year and has an annual budget of approximately \$450,000 to promote the growth of new and existing innovative businesses and advance community-led economic development in Haliburton County. For a full description of the committee mandate and responsibilities please contact Patti Tallman.

If you are interested please forward a cover letter and your resume by January 24, 2014 to:

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Drop in and say hello!



Photo by Mark Arike

Pat Kennedy, outgoing EMS director for the County of Haliburton, left, shares a laugh with County Warden Dave Burton.

Retirement farewell for Kennedy

By Mark Arike
Staff writer

Pat Kennedy's 34-year career ended with a celebration to remember.

On Jan. 15, Kennedy's co-workers, friends and family, and local politicians gathered at the Minden Legion to wish the outgoing county EMS director well.

"We want to take this opportunity to recognize Pat for his dedication and commitment to making [our] emergency service one of the best there is," said Haliburton County Warden Dave Burton in his opening remarks.

Minden Hills deputy-reeve Cheryl Murdoch, who chairs the Emergency Services Committee, thanked Kennedy for his work over the years.

"We've had some good times, we've had some tough times," said Murdoch, referring to the spring flood in Minden Hills. "He's been there for Minden Hills and I know, in

times of trouble, he's been there for all of the other municipalities too."

Murdoch credited Kennedy for several accomplishments, including introducing defibrillators to public places throughout the county, the Tory Hill EMS base, the reduction of emergency call wait times, and sourcing out a location for a new EMS base in Minden.

"Pat, you've made us better," she said. "You've made the county better, you've made all its municipalities better. We thank you ever so much for that."

County CAO and clerk Jim Wilson congratulated Kennedy on a successful career on behalf of his co-workers.

"You're certainly going to leave a footprint on the services as we go forward," said Wilson.

Larry Blanchard, EMS quality assurance manager, has worked with Kennedy for the past 30 years.

"Today is a rather sad day for [us] because

we've worked alongside you for a long time," said Blanchard, who took a trip down memory lane.

"Pat got me to volunteer with Haliburton County EMS 30 years ago, and I said, 'No, I don't want to do that.' ... He convinced me."

Blanchard recalled many fond memories, including those that dated back to when the two first met in high school.

"You've been my boss, but most importantly my friend," he said.

Kennedy was overwhelmed by the event's large turnout.

"This is pretty overwhelming here today," he said. "You get so entrenched in what you're doing... sometimes you leave family and friends behind and keep working. To have this kind of recognition of your efforts is mind-blowing."

Kennedy has been replaced by Craig Jones, the former EMS deputy chief of operations for Northumberland County.

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A smoke-free resolution: butting out in 2014

By Sue Tiffin
Staff writer

Marjorie Hilts says her six-year-old's smile was the motivation she needed to quit smoking.

"He would always say to me, 'that smoke is stinky,'" the 23-year-old Kinmount resident says. "When I quit, he said, 'Mommy, you're not smoking. That's great.'"

In the eight years she has been smoking, Hilts has never tried to quit before although she has talked about it. Then, after a second bout of pneumonia, her doctor told her that if she didn't quit smoking she would be on oxygen tanks for the rest of her life.

"I didn't want that," she says. "I want to be in my son's life for a long time."

Hilts also credits the rest of her family and friends for helping her through the transition of quitting.

"I have lots of friends and family supporting me and standing by me and reminding me why I am quitting," she says. "It's wonderful having such great people around to keep me strong."

So she made a New Year's resolution to quit, and stopped smoking cold turkey on Jan. 5.

"A new year is a great time for change," says Jennifer Robertson, Public Health Nurse with Haliburton Kawartha Pine Ridge District Health Unit.

She says that in order to quit, it's a good idea to get organized, first.

Robertson recommends a daily journal that can help smokers learn about their triggers. If a smoker makes their environment – their car or home – smoke-free, that will also make it less convenient to smoke.

Minden-resident Tracy Gottschalk smoked for 20 years and quit in June 2012. She says, like Hilts, her kids were also motivators.

"My oldest daughter begged me at times and even threw my cigarettes in the garbage and broke them in half," says Gottschalk. "I decided in a day that I would quit and knew this was best for myself and my children."

Now Gottschalk says she feels better, and that the few extra pounds she has gained "aren't so bad."

"I am proud to be a quitter," she says of her cold-turkey effort.

Gary Chow, the pharmacy manager of Rexall drug store in Haliburton, says that generally smokers use a product to try to quit smoking.

"If you just quit cold turkey, the rate of quitting is really low, but of course it depends on your mental fortitude," he says.

Chow recommends a vaporizer if the addiction to nicotine isn't strong but the habit of smoking is hard to break. He suggests nicotine replacements like the patch or gum for those who suffer withdrawal symptoms in the first three days of quitting. He says prescription medications available through a doctor are quite effective for those that really struggle to quit. But most important, he says, is to not give up.

"Unfortunately, most people don't quit on their first try," he says. "So if it doesn't work the first time, get back on the horse. Your chances of succeeding the second time or third time are even better."

Local pharmacies and doctors have information about free resources available to smokers. Two contests are available to smokers who are looking to be enticed to quit by entering for a chance to win prizes like \$2,500 in cash, or a new car. Check www.DrivenToQuit.ca or www.wouldrather.ca for more details.

SIRCH crashes through goal

By Matthew Desrosiers
Editor

SIRCH Community Services has raised just over \$27,000 through its holiday Gifts from the Heart fundraising campaign.

Nancy Brownsberger, manager of communications and partnerships, said the organization's goal for the campaign was \$25,000. Gifts from the Heart ran from Oct. 15, 2013, to Jan. 7.

"It feels phenomenal knowing that this money is going to clients," she said. "It's \$10,000 more than what we've raised ever before in the campaign. That's \$10,000 more that goes back to working with clients."

"We're so excited that we had this

response from the community."

Brownsberger said first-time donors made up 50 per cent of donations this year. A significant number of donors were also from out of town, she said.

Gifts from the Heart allows donors to look through a magazine and pick which programs they want to support. This year, most donors asked for the money to go where it was needed most. Next, donations were earmarked for hospice, providing warmth, and food initiatives.

"Our managers are really good at understanding the individual needs of every client," Brownsberger said. "It's exciting to know that [the money] is there so more food can be made, [we can provide] fuel or transportation, [or] gift certificates so that folks can go into

the pharmacy and go into local grocery stores and get the things they need."

SIRCH has the ability to stretch every dollar, she said, which makes the extra \$10,000 raised this year so exciting.

"We can do so much with every dollar. We can expand and extend our services with every single dollar."

Brownsberger credits the campaign's key sponsors, which includes The Highlander, RAM Access, and Parker Pad & Printing, with its success.

"Without any of those we wouldn't have been able to accomplish it," she said. "We are so grateful."

Going into the organization's 25th year, Brownsberger said SIRCH has plans this year to extend its reach in the community, and these dollars will help them achieve that.





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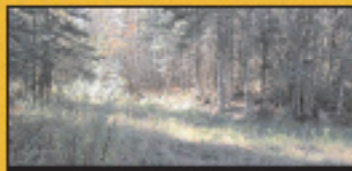
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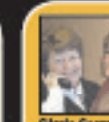
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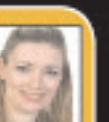
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Highland Storm Hockey

The Highlander Midget A

Submitted by Wendy Sisson

The Highland Storm's Midget A team, sponsored by The Highlander, has now completed the regular season with the MPS. The team finished tied for top spot with a record of 14-2-2. This past weekend the finale was a round robin tournament with Parry Sound, defeating them 3-2; Huntsville, defeating them 6-2; then the final game with South Muskoka for the championship. At the intermission the score read 2-2. Both teams came out with great effort, making the last 15 minutes the deciding factor. The home team Bears scored three unanswered goals to take the cup. The Storm team showed their class by smiling and shaking hands the winners at the end of the game. Nicely done.

Next the Midgets move on to the OMHA playdowns. They start Friday night in Minden against Ennismore at 8:30 p.m.

The Lions Club Haliburton/ Minden Atom AE

Submitted by Richard Smith

Special thanks to all the families and fans who supported the Highland Storm at their Peterborough Atom Lift Lock Tournament. Your cheering made all the difference.



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Game 1 vs Percy: The Highland Storm lost 10-0 to a superior opponent. The score shouldn't take away from the many highlight saves made by Darian Willis, who faced countless shots. Willis fashions his game after Finland's Tuukka Rask but we're glad he's a Canadian boy.

Game 2 vs Peterborough Petes.: Peterborough iced four full lines against the small-town Highland Storm 12-player squad in what proved to be the most exciting game of the tournament. After falling behind 2-0 early in the game, the Storm clawed their way back to steal an upset tie. Highlights included Nick Phippen carrying three Petes on his back to the net and ripping a wrist shot over the goalie's shoulder. Storm goaltender Willis was stellar. Every child, forward and defense, played the best game of their season. A real beauty of a game. Edge of your seat stuff from start to finish.

Game 3 vs Duoro: An evenly matched game where Storm came back from a 3-1 deficit to secure a 3-3 tie. Highlights included Phippen being awarded the Lift Lock hat trick award, and Emma Tidey chasing down a clear cut breakaway and stripping the puck from the attacker to preserve the tie.

The tie was not enough and Storm fell one point shy of the playoff round. Well done kids.

Minden CARQUEST Midget B

Submitted by Dan Marsden

The Minden CARQUEST Midget B girls hockey team travelled to Huntsville Burks Falls this weekend to participate in the Huntsville Sting Tourney. The girls rebounded Friday night in their first game with energy and focus in an up-tempo effort against the Zorra Fusion. Their rust from the winter holiday lay-off disappeared (dropping two games to Keene and Ennismore) as they stepped up their team play and effort; moving their feet, making smart decisions, completing crisp passes and playing aggressively in all areas of the ice. Alicia McLean opened the scoring in the second period after a tightly contested first period. Zorra tied the game midway through the second period. Kelsey Maracle tallied three unanswered goals in the second and third frames, her hat-trick making the difference in the 4-1 win. Great rebound effort girls.

The Storm Midget girls took on the Ice Cats from Clearview Saturday afternoon in Huntsville. The fast skating Ice Cats challenged the Storm on the large ice surface at the Summit Center but a gritty battle by the Highland's squad kept the game close. Midway through the second period, after a sustained attack in the Clearview end, Jamie Little's wrister from the point found its way into the back of the net past the screened Ice Cat tender. The Storm continued to battle the Clearview club the remainder of the game and Connor Marsden turned away and stopped all Ice Cat opportunities to get the shut out win. Final score 1-0. The win put the Highland Storm midget girls into the finals on Sunday afternoon.

On Sunday afternoon, the Storm girls took to the ice at the Huntsville Summit Center to battle the Zorra Fusion for the Midget B division Championship in the Huntsville Sting Tourney. The game was a rematch from Friday night but this time, the stakes were much higher. Maddie Billings opened the scoring early in the first period finishing a nice rush with a wrister that beat the Fusion tender high glove. Zorra was not put off by the early lead of the Highland Storm. With less than a minute left in the first period, the Fusion tied the game after creating a turnover in the Storm end and finishing it off with a period-tying goal. Two scoreless periods of exciting hockey followed, resulting in a tied regulation game needing overtime. The sudden death five-minute, four on four overtime left the game tied. The pre-selected shooters for both clubs were all stopped by their opposing tender. A fourth was needed, and then the fifth. Kenndal Marsden went backhand to forehand and beat the Fusion goal high glove, while Connor Marsden stoned the Zorra's fifth and final shooter at the same time. Excitement followed as the Highland Storm Midget B girls flooded the ice celebrating the Championship 2-1 shoot-out win in the Huntsville Sting's 37th Annual Tournament. Great weekend effort girls.

Get ready for our league play wrap-up with the first and second place clubs of Ennismore and Cold Creek this weekend on the road. The same focus, team play and energy will be needed as we move into play-offs and provincial play-downs. Keep the storm fuelled girls as we finish up the year.

Smolen Dentistry Bantam A

Submitted by Tammy Smith

The Highland Storm Smolen Dentistry won the Muskoka Parry Sound League end-of-year hockey tournament on the weekend. The boys took to the ice on Friday night and managed to beat South Muskoka 5-2. Saturday afternoon they beat Huntsville 4-2 and then beat the home town Parry Sound Shamrocks 5-2 to place them first at the end of the round robin . Sunday morning, the Storm took on the 4th ranked team Parry Sound in the semi-finals and won 3-2 to put them in the finals against the Huntsville Otters.

Huntsville came out strong and scored two goals in the first before the Storm got on the board early in the second. They came alive in the third with three more goals to get the trophy with a 4-2 win. The Storm once again proved that teamwork pays off as each player had at least a point over the weekend. The team also had some big saves from the goaltenders which was key to their success. The Storm play again Tuesday night against Parry Sound to wrap up their regular season.

Haliburton Family Medical Pee wee AE

Submitted by Tammy Smith

The Highland Storm Pee wee AE team, sponsored by Haliburton Family Medical Centre, started the year off right with a come-from-behind win against Oro Thunder. The Storm started strong but the Thunder broke free to score early. The pressure continued though, and the Storm tied it up a few minutes later as Brady Baldry passed a beautiful feed to Lexie Tait who was left alone in front. Lexie got two whacks at it before tucking it in the left corner. Oro scored in the second but again, the Storm answered as Paul Turner and James Alexander dug the puck out front to Baldry to even it up.

The game winner came after Tanner Crang and William Petrie created a turnover on the forecheck finding Carter Bull out front. Carter rifled it into the twine to win it for the squad. It was a gutsy win and bodes well for the play-downs which will begin after their MPS tournament next weekend in Burks Falls.

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Ray St. Pierre – 299, Eleanor Lymer – 276

High triple

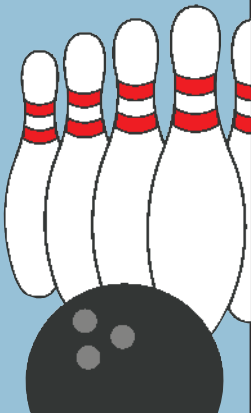
Barb Ballantyne – 508, Ben Dentinger – 511, Ray St. Pierre – 511

High triple handicap

Ray St. Pierre – 703, Lynn Bartlett – 675, Eleanor Lymer – 675

High average

Ron Cummings – 177 (spare)



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Haliburton
Highlands
Land Trust

Posting for the Positions of Executive Director and Administrative Assistant

The Haliburton Highlands Land Trust is a leader in environmental protection, research, and education in Haliburton County. It is seeking two positions: Administrative Assistant and Executive Director. If you are interested in either position, e-mail your resume to admin@haliburtonlandtrust.ca by 5:00 p.m. on January 17, 2014 for the Administrative Assistant position or January 24, 2014 for the Executive Director position.

Executive Director

The Executive Director is a highly motivated and energetic leader with a strong interest in conservation. The Executive Director serves as the public face of the Land Trust and provides leadership in the areas of funding development, volunteer and membership development and the management of staff and operations. The successful candidate brings a commitment to environmental conservation and a background in management, ideally in the not-for-profit sector. You have:

- Proven ability to lead an organization through change to successful growth in its funding, membership base and partnerships.
- An undergraduate or college degree in environmental studies/science, business administration, non-profit management or a related field.
- Experience in fundraising and grant proposals, policy and program development and excellent communications skills.
- Demonstrated ability in building relationships with a wide array of individuals.

This position is funded through a two year Trillium grant. It is the intent of the Land Trust to make this position ongoing following this grant. Retention is of course dependent upon funding which is a key focus of the position. The full terms of reference are available on the website at www.haliburtonlandtrust.ca

Administrative Assistant

The Administrative Assistant reports directly to the Executive Director and works closely with the Board of Directors and its committees. The position involves setting up and maintaining information pertaining to volunteers, memberships (and membership levels), donations, projects, and electronic mailing lists. The candidate works closely with the treasurer to maintain financial records, to process invoices and payments and to handle the banking aspect (and record keeping) of all donations and payments. The successful candidate has:

- Demonstrated office coordination and record keeping skills
- Strong knowledge of computer systems and the ability to undertake effective database design and management.
- Experience processing invoices, handling bank deposits, and financial record keeping.
- Superior organizational skills and is detail oriented.
- Strong people skills as working directly with volunteers and members of the public is required.

Compensation is \$18.00 per hour. The expected regular number of hours per week is fifteen with allowance for additional hours as project workload may dictate. This is a contract position for 2014 with renewal beyond 2014 dependent upon available funding. Funding for this position comes through project grants, private donations, and other funding avenues.

TENDER



REQUEST FOR TENDER BIDS Tree Clearing

The Township of Algonquin Highlands is accepting bids for a Tree Clearing Contract at the Haliburton-Stanhope Municipal Airport.

SCOPE OF WORK: The scope of work includes 4.12 hectares (10.8 acres) of clearing and grubbing of trees and bush and applicable erosion control as identified in the Contract Documents and Drawings.

START/END DATE: Anticipated to be February 18, 2014 with the completion of the work by April 4, 2014.

Bid documents will be available on Thursday, January 9, 2014 at the Township Office located at:

1123 North Shore Road
Algonquin Highlands, ON
K0M 1J1

There will be a \$10 non-refundable deposit required to receive the bid documents.

Qualified companies are encouraged to submit a sealed tender plainly marked "TENDER – TREE CLEARING" to the above address by:

2:00 p.m. on Thursday, January 23, 2014

For further information, please call 705-489-2379. Lowest or any tender not necessarily accepted.

Angie Bird, A.M.C.T., CMM1
Chief Administrative Officer
Township of Algonquin Highlands
1123 North Shore Road
Algonquin Highlands, ON
K0M 1J1
P: 705-489-2379 Ext. 222

Michael Osborne, C.E.T., LEL
Senior Project Manager
R.J. Burnside & Assoc. Limited
128 Wellington St. W., Ste 301
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EVENTS

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Since death its gloom, its shadow, cast
Within our home, where all seemed bright,
And took from us a shining light,
We miss that light, and ever will,
His vacant place there is none to fill.
Down here we mourn, but not in vain,
For up in heaven, we will meet again.
Love and Miss You, Dad and Tanner.

In memory of our beloved grandson,
Look around your garden Lord,
He won't be hard to find,
He has a heart thats full of love
And a face thats sweet and kind.
Tell him that we love him,
And when he turns and smiles
Put your arms around him Lord
And hold him for awhile.
Love you Forever Grandma and Grandpa Hamilton

You just walked on ahead of me,
And I've got to understand,
You must release the one you love,
And let go of their hand.
I try and cope the best i can,
I'm missing you so much,
If only I could see you,
And once more feel your touch.
Yes you just walked on ahead of me,
Don't worry I'll be fine,
But know and then I swear I feel,
Your hand slip into mine.
Love Uncle G and Aunt Jackie

Your life was a blessing
Your memory a treasure...
You are loved beyond words
And missed beyond measure...
Forever in our hearts, Aunt Jill, Jordan and Jenna.



NOTICE

NOTICE IS HEREBY GIVEN that the Council of the Corporation of the Township of Minden Hills proposes to consider, and if deemed advisable, to pass at its regular meeting to be held in the Municipal Council Chambers at 7 Milne Street, Minden, Ontario, on Thursday, January 30th, 2014 at the hour of 10:00 a.m., by-laws to stop up, close and convey those parcels of land more particularly described as follows:

- File No. SRA-13-03
Part of the original shore road allowance along the shore of the Gull River, lying in front of Lot 28, Concession 3, geographic Township of Lutterworth, designated as Parts 1, 2, and 3 on a Plan of Survey 19R-9575, registered November 27, 2013.
- File No. SRA-13-09
Part of the original shore road allowance along the shore of Canning Lake, lying in front of Lot 13, Concession 14, geographic Township of Snowdon, designated as Part 2 on a Plan of Survey 19R-9581, registered December 5, 2013.
- File No. SRA-13-11
Part of the original shore road allowance along the shore of Big Onillia Lake, lying in front of Lot 29, Concession 14, geographic Township of Hindon, designated as Part 4 on a Plan of Survey 19R-2912, registered September 15, 1983.

The above noted plans of survey are available for inspection in the Building and Planning Department located at 7 Milne Street, Minden, Ontario during regular office hours.

AND FURTHER TAKE NOTICE that before passing the said by-laws at the meeting to be held at the time and place noted above, the Council shall then and there, hear in person or by his or her counsel, solicitor or agent, any person who claims that his or her land will be prejudicially affected by the said by-laws and who applies to be heard.

DATED AT THE Township of Minden Hills, this 16th day of January, 2014.

Adam King, M.R.M
Planning Administrator

Highlander events



Photos by Sue Tiffin

Above left: Dave Taylor happily held a turtle or two after learning more about the reptiles and their survival traits. Top right: The snapping turtle was a highlight of the exhibition, with everyone wanting to get close to this 10-year-old named Jaws. Above right: Reptile educators from Scales Nature Park had the audience intrigued with information about the reptiles that are at risk in our own backyard. At left, Miranda Virtanen holds a globally endangered Eastern foxsnake while Kelsey Bedard holds a 90-year-old Blanding's turtle.

Community learns about at-risk reptiles

By Sue Tiffin
Staff writer

The misconceptions that snakes should be picked up by the head and turtles should be picked up by the tail were laid to rest at an interactive workshop organized by The Haliburton Highlands Land Trust and presented by reptile educators from Scales Nature Park on Jan. 11.

The reptile educators showed the audience of about 50 participants how to identify and handle a variety of snakes and turtles that can be seen in the area. Kelsey Bedard showed the audience how to “wheelbarrow” snapping turtles off the road by holding the area between their back legs and tail while they move forward on their front legs if they

seem too heavy to lift. Reptiles at Risk project coordinator, Miranda Virtanen, encouraged people to lift a snake by their belly and tail so they aren't tempted to bite fingers that are close to their heads.

“Our goal is to increase appreciation and conservation of reptiles through education and hands-on animal interactions,” she said. “Since reptiles are commonly overlooked, and a lot of people are unaware that around 80 per cent of Ontario's reptiles are classified as being ‘at risk’, it is important to educate those who live in areas in which these species inhabit.”

They also shared information about how the animals – faced with major conservation issues - survive in nature.

Wood turtles stomp the ground to confuse worms. The worms think the sound is rain,

head to the surface, and meet their death by hungry turtle. When the Eastern hog-nosed snake senses danger, it flips to its back to play dead and regurgitates half-digested toads or defecates on itself to smell rotten. Snapping turtles dig holes prior to burying their eggs to test the temperature of the ground. The temperature of the ground that the eggs are buried in determines the gender of the baby turtles.

Belinda Gallagher, Tory Hill resident, has called the Haliburton Highlands Land Trust before to report sightings of snapping turtles on her land so the Land Trust can record numbers. She said they nest on her property, and she helps them by protecting their nests, or helping them across the road.

“I'm actually surprised by how many people are afraid of snapping turtles,” she said. “I

think they're wonderful. There are so many marks against them with all the roads they have to cross. They need all the help they can get.”

Sheila Ziman, the past chair of the Haliburton Highlands Land Trust said, “learning more about snapping turtles and hog-nosed snakes will help to dispel some of the myths about these animals. Neither species is dangerous to humans.”

The Reptiles at Risk program coordinators encourage the public to become “citizen scientists” by reporting sightings and helping animals when it is safe to do so. They suggest using Ontario's Reptile and Amphibian Atlas mobile app, which allows users to easily upload photos of species that can allow conservationists to map and research animals in the area.

Highlander events



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Left: Twelve-year-old Buckhorn resident Reagan Ireland carefully observes a muskrat skin, and then peels the fat from it. Ireland's brother, dad, and grandpa are all involved in the fur trapping industry. Above: Gord Stickles of Eganville weighs beaver castors for Hector MacDonald of Seabright, who has been trapping for 47 years. A pound and a half of castors earned \$60 for MacDonald.

Young trappers demonstrate their abilities with fur

By Sue Tiffin
Staff writer

Fur harvesters from around Ontario gathered in the Minden arena on Jan. 12 to share camaraderie with fellow trappers and hunters, and to give the public the chance to ask questions and take in demonstrations.

Reagan Ireland, a 12-year-old Buckhorn resident, was very focused as she demonstrated how to rid a muskrat skin of fat next to her 14-year-old brother Austin, who worked on a beaver skin. In 2013, the Ministry of Natural Resources agreed to extend the trapping license to children aged 12 to 15, allowing kids like Ireland and her brother to get more involved with their dad and grandparents.

"I was nine when I started to become interested in it," she said. "I thought it was kind of fun to get my hands dirty."

Ireland said her classmates aren't involved with trapping, but some are interested in how

it works.

"They don't mind because they like me for who I am," she said.

"I think it's a great thing," said Ireland's grandfather, Dan. "It just teaches the children different ways to deal with animals."

Paul Arkwright, president of the Minden District Fur Harvesters, said those involved with the fur industry face two difficult challenges in order to keep one of Canada's oldest trades going. He said public perception of trapping and hunting is sometimes negative and that it's important to get the youth involved in the trade.

He hopes to show the public, "there's still trapping going on; that it hasn't died down."

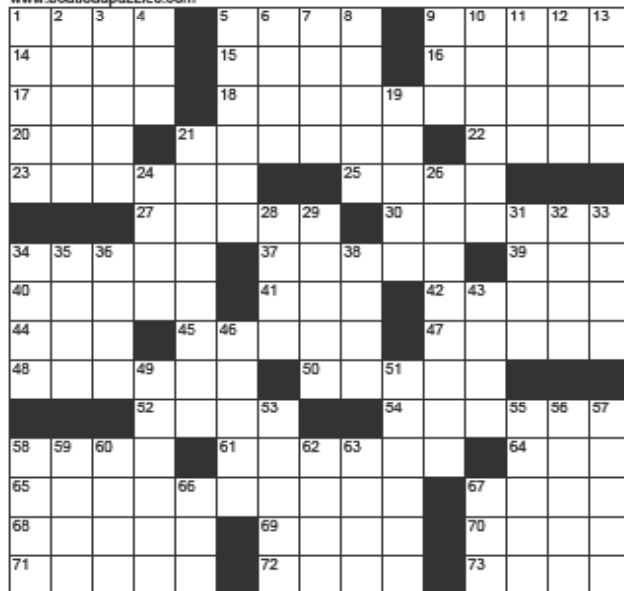
Arkwright said it's important that Canadians know about the work fur harvesters do in order to clear up misconceptions that it is cruel or not sustainable. The 77-year-old Fenelon Falls resident also said "we're trying to get the kids started, and trying to promote younger kids to take over for us old folks."

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Highlander events

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27. Prank
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34. Compact
37. Screen ____
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41. Gun owners' org.
42. Tolerate
44. Goal
45. Rock star ____ John
47. Fertile spots
48. Trinidad and ____
50. Slants
52. Chimney's locale
54. South ____ (state)
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61. Continuing story
64. Concealed
65. Exposing to the elements
67. Sahara grains
68. Woodturning machine
69. Pimples
70. Craving
71. Iron setting
72. Minus
73. Requisite

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1. Bath powders
2. French farewell
3. Yellow fruit
4. Clairvoyant's letters
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6. Come together
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8. Aquatic animal
9. Pub order
10. Far off
11. Kitchen hot spot
12. List of choices
13. Crafts
19. Rent contract
21. Home of the Padres (2 wds.)
24. Peacock's pride
26. Private
28. Fails to exist
29. Yuletide tune
31. Afternoon affairs
32. Sharpen
33. Finishes
34. Begone!
35. Dayton's state
36. Arm or leg
38. Wind indicator
43. Chore
46. Unattached
49. Singer ____ Franklin
51. Maxims
53. Untamed
55. Chicago's airport
56. Hint of a color
57. Totaled
58. Piercing tools
59. Whip
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62. Wedding confetti
63. Country lodgings
66. Skirt bottom
67. Our star

Last week's puzzle solutions


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FUN FACT:

A Saudi Arabian woman can get a divorce if her husband doesn't give her coffee.

JANUARY 2014 EVENTS CALENDAR

THURSDAY	FRIDAY	SATURDAY	SUNDAY
Contract Bridge (every Tuesday) – Minden United Church, 9 a.m. – 12 p.m. Contact 705-286-1305. 100.9 CanoeFM Bingo - (every Tuesday), 6 p.m. 705-457-1009 Wii Bowling (every Tuesday) - Community Care, 9:00 a.m. 705-457-2941	Cribbage - (every Friday) - Community Care @ 1 p.m., 705-457-2941. Friday, January 17 – Sunday, January 19 The A.J. Larue Arena is closed for public skating to host the Ducks tournament.	Ice climbing – Medeba Adventure Learning Centre, West Guilford, 9-12 p.m. Winter Wonderland Dance – Haliburton Legion, 7-10:30 p.m.	
16	17	18	19
MONDAY	TUESDAY	WEDNESDAY	THURSDAY
	Guided snowshoe hikes – Frost Centre, 20130 Hwy 35. Minden Guides and Pathfinders meeting , 6:30-8 p.m. Contract Bridge – Minden United Church, 9 a.m. – 12 p.m. Contact 705-286-1305.	Pickleball – Minden Community Centre, 8:30-12:30 p.m. Cost \$2, must bring indoor shoes. Public skating – A.J. Larue Arena, 11 a.m. – 12:30 p.m. Every Wednesday.	Minden Sparks and Brownies meeting , 6-7:30 p.m. Pickleball – Haliburton Highlands Secondary School gym, 7-9:45 p.m. \$4 and must have clean, indoor court or running shoes.
20	21	22	23
FRIDAY	SATURDAY	SUNDAY	MONDAY
Canadian National Pond Hockey Championships starts.  Into the Dark, Ice Climbing – Camp Medeba, 7-9 p.m.	Canadian National Pond Hockey Championships continues. 	LAST DAY TO CATCH SOME OF THE ACTION! Canadian National Pond Hockey Championships wrap up today. 	
24	25	26	27
WHAT'S GOING ON AT YOUR LOCAL LEGION?			
Haliburton Branch (705-457-2571) General meeting, Thursday, 7:30 p.m. Meat draw, Friday, 4:30 p.m. 50/50 draw, Saturday, 4 p.m. Bid Euchre, Wednesday, 1 p.m. Bingo, Wednesday, 7 p.m. Legion's annual golf tournament, August 10 at Haliburton Highlands Golf Club. 85th anniversary celebration party, August 17th.	Minden Branch (705-286-4541) Lunch menu, every Monday to Friday from noon – 2 p.m. Cribbage, Saturday, 1-3 p.m. Bid Euchre, Tuesday, 1 p.m. Meat Draw, Wednesday, lunchtime Ladies Darts, Thursday, 1 p.m. Euchre, Thursday, 7:30 p.m. Fish & Chips, Friday from 5-7 p.m. Darts, Friday, 7:30 p.m. Open Saturday & Sunday from 12-5 p.m.	Wilberforce Branch (705-448-2221) Pool, Friday, 1:30 p.m. Jam session, Friday, 7 p.m. Uncle Bob's Rock Bass Derby, Saturday. Meat draw, Saturday, 2 p.m. L.A. breakfast, Sunday, 9 a.m. to noon. Everyone welcome! Bid Euchre, Monday, 7 p.m. General meeting, Tuesday, 7 p.m. Fun darts, Wednesday, 7:30 p.m.	

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Highlander events



Photo by Sue Tiffin
Shari Hawkins and the Shari Hawkins band entertained a crowd at the Dominion with both covers and original songs during the 'Sunday Afternoon at the D Series' on Jan. 12.

Sunday afternoon live

By Sue Tiffin
Staff writer

To encourage local residents to look forward to the end of the weekend rather than dread it, Dominion Hotel's general manager, Shawn Chamberlin, has relaunched a series of concerts called Sunday Afternoon Live at the 'D' featuring local musicians who will entertain with a variety of live music. The series is already booked until June.

"By designating a 'spot' on the calendar for a regular show featuring local music we can bring attention to what we're trying to do - better promote our local music and build a momentum of support with fans," said Chamberlin, who said he tested the idea last fall to great response. "Our local musicians don't have many regular performance opportunities and venues in the county. This series provides one more regular gig."

Jim Bjork came from Huntsville to see the show with Minden resident Denise LeBlanc. "It's great," said Bjork, who learned about it through Sheri Hawkins' Facebook page. "It's good for us to get out and hear some music," said LeBlanc.

Chamberlin agrees. "This series will provide an opportunity

for the community to support local music; to meet and experience talent they may not have seen before; and to satisfy the musicians performance goals - to have fun," he said. And everyone can afford to do it as there is no cover charge. It is a full circle of needs satisfaction. Everyone wins with this series."

"Slow Motion Walter" performed on the first Sunday of this month, and Shari Hawkins entertained the crowd on Jan. 12. Gord Kidd will take the stage on Jan.19 and Phil McMahon and Paddy's Lament will get everyone dancing to Irish music on Jan. 26.

The series will run until the end of next summer from 4-7 p.m. every Sunday, and guests of all ages are welcome to attend.

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COMMITTEE OF ADJUSTMENT - NOTICE OF PUBLIC HEARING

HEARING DATE:

January 27, 2014

TIME:

9:30 a.m.

PLACE AND ADDRESS:

Municipal Council Chambers
7 Milne Street,
Minden, Ontario.

In the matter of Section 45 of the Planning Act, R.S.O. 1990, c.P. 13, as amended, and in the matter of Zoning By-law No. 06-10 as amended.

File No. MV A28/2013, Part Lot 8, Concession 1, geographic Township of Snowdon – Jopling Road

Purpose: The Applicant requires relief to permit a garage structure closer to the higher water mark and side yard lot line than is permitted in the Township of Minden Hills Zoning By-law 06-10, as amended. The following variances are required:

1. From Section 5.2 to reduce the 75 foot (23 metre) required setback from a garage to the high water mark to 50 feet (15.2 metres).

2. From Section 4.1.11 to reduce the 6.5 foot (2 metre) required setback from a garage to the interior side yard lot line to 6 feet (1.8 metres).

ANY PERSON may attend the public hearing and/or make written comments to the Township of Minden Hills either in support of, or in opposition to a proposed minor variance.

NOTICE OF DECISION - A copy of the Committee's decision will be sent to the Applicant and to each person who appeared in person or by counsel at the public hearing and who has filed a written request for notice of the decision with the Secretary-Treasurer.

ADDITIONAL INFORMATION regarding these applications will be available for public inspection until noon on the day of the meeting at the Township of Minden Hills Building and Planning Department during normal office hours.

Dated this 16th day of January, 2014

Adam King, M.R.M
Secretary-Treasurer
Committee of Adjustment

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MUNICIPAL ELECTION 2014

NOTICE OF NOMINATION FOR OFFICE
Municipal Elections Act, 1996, (s.32) as amended

NOTICE is hereby given to the Municipal Electors of the Municipality of Dysart et al

Nominations in the Municipality of Dysart et al for the offices of:
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DEPUTY-REEVE – one to be elected at large
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may be made by completing and filing in the office of the Clerk, nominations on the prescribed form and accompanied by the prescribed nomination filing fee of \$200 for the Reeve and \$100 for all other offices. The filing fee is payable by cash, debit or certified cheque.

A nomination must be signed by the candidate and may be filed in person or by an agent during regular business hours between January 2, 2014 and September 11, 2014, and between 9:00 a.m. and 2:00 p.m. on September 12, 2014 (Nomination Day).

At the time of printing, determination as to where Nomination Papers are to be filed for the School Board Trustees had not yet been finalized. Please contact the Clerk or visit the Municipality's website at www.dysartetel.ca for further information in this regard as it becomes available.

No person who proposes to be a candidate may solicit or accept contributions for election purposes; or incur expenses, until that person has filed a nomination paper.

Elections are hereby given notice that if a greater number of candidates are certified than are required to fill the said offices, the election day is Monday, October 27, 2014.

Dated this 16th day of January, 2014.

Cheryl Coulson, Clerk

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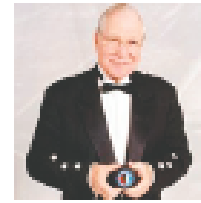


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What's on



Photo by Mark Arike

Laurie Jones, executive director of the Rails End Gallery and Arts Centre, left, and volunteer Maija Stone proudly show off their entries that will appear in the Local Colour exhibition.

Gallery members deliver one colourful show

By Mark Arike
Staff writer

Their creations are colourful, unique and full of character.

And they're certainly all worth checking out.

On Jan. 18 from 2-4 p.m., the Rails End Gallery and Arts Centre in Haliburton will welcome visitors to the launch of "Local Colour," a salon exhibition featuring more than 70 pieces of artwork made by 40 gallery members.

"Every year I set a different theme," said Laurie Jones, executive director of the gallery. "With local colour, there's a double meaning there. It lets people play with it."

Many of the pieces will be hung in the salon style, which originates from a large art exhibition held in Paris, France in the 1700s.

"It's a great way to fit everything in," said Jones, pointing out that some of the art will be found on display tables.

In addition to paintings, a variety of mediums will be on display including fibre art, ceramics, photography and wood,

among others.

"It's completely wide open," said Jones.

As for criteria, artists were required to ensure that their pieces were dry and ready to be hung.

With this being the gallery's largest annual exhibition, it provides visitors and artists an opportunity to learn and connect.

"It's a good time for [artists] to incubate new ideas," she said.

Gallery volunteer and member Maija Stone has participated in the annual exhibition for the past 14 years. It's an event she always looks forward to.

"It gets better every year," said Stone. "I'm impressed with the variety and the quality."

Once the exhibition opens, gallery visitors will be able to vote on their favourite piece to determine the winner of the people's choice award. The show runs through to the end of March break.

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